

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Original) A card adapter for accommodating a memory card and connecting an external device, said card adapter comprising:

a frame member having an insertion slot at a front end thereof;

two cover plates respectively mounted on a top side and a bottom side of said frame member;

an internal frame mounted inside said frame member and having a lateral section and a rear section, a reception space being defined by said lateral section and said rear section of said internal frame together with a front edge and a lateral edge of said frame member, two guide grooves being disposed respectively on the lateral edge of said frame member and the lateral section of said internal frame, said insertion slot being positioned at a front end of said reception space, said two guide grooves being positioned at bilateral sides of said reception space, said internal frame having at least one terminal-fastening plate extending therefrom towards said reception space, said terminal-fastening plate having a plurality of terminals;

an adapting circuit board having a plurality of electronic components and contact pads, said electronic components defining an adapting control circuit, said contact pads being electrically connected with said electronic components and said terminals; and

a terminal connector mounted to a rear end of said frame member and having a plurality of contact pins connected with said adapting circuit board.

2. (Canceled)

3. (Original) The card adapter as defined in claim 1, wherein said frame member further comprises a plurality of retainers extending inwards and positioned

corresponding to said rear section and said lateral section of said internal frame; said internal frame is retained by said retainers to be secured inside said frame member while positioned inside said frame member.

4. (Original) The card adapter as defined in claim 1, wherein said internal frame and said frame member are connected together by adhesives.

5. (New) A card adapter for accommodating a memory card and connecting an external device, said card adapter comprising:

a frame member having an insertion slot at a front end thereof;

two cover plates respectively mounted on a top side and a bottom side of said frame member;

an internal frame mounted inside said frame member and having a lateral section and a rear section, a reception space being defined by said lateral section and said rear section of said internal frame together with a front edge and a lateral edge of said frame member, two guide grooves being disposed respectively on the lateral edge of said frame member and the lateral section of said internal frame, said insertion slot being positioned at a front end of said reception space, said two guide grooves being positioned at bilateral sides of said reception space, said internal frame having at least one terminal-fastening plate extending therefrom towards said reception space, said terminal-fastening plate having a plurality of terminals;

an adapting circuit board having a plurality of electronic components and contact pads, said electronic components defining an adapting control circuit, said contact pads being electrically connected with said electronic components and said terminals; and

a terminal connector mounted to a rear end of said frame member and having a plurality of contact pins connected with said adapting circuit board, wherein said internal frame and said frame member are integrally formed.

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6(New). The card adapter as defined in claim 6 which is integrally formed plastic.